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Group Art Unit: **2654**

Title: **GRAPHICAL USER INTERFACE AND METHOD FOR MODIFYING  
PRONUNCIATIONS IN TEXT-TO-SPEECH AND SPEECH  
RECOGNITION SYSTEMS**

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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 5, 2001**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of December 5, 2001, please amend this application as noted below.

**In the Claims**

1. (Amended) A method implemented on a computer for allowing a user to set a pronunciation of a string of characters, the method comprising:  
allowing the user to select one or more characters in the string;

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